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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This document responds to the Final Office Action mailed on May 12, 2006 (the "Office Action"). Claims 1, 3-7, 34, 35, and 39-42 are now pending in this application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections of the Office Action in view of the following claim amendments and remarks. A check in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed as payment for the request for continuation examination fee. Please amend the present application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.